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Applicants	:	Lukas Novotny and Thomas G. Brown)	Examiner:
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Serial No.	:	10/068,449)	
Cnfrm. No.	:	9533)	Art Unit:
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Filed	:	February 7, 2002)	
For	:	A SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR HIGH)	
		RESOLUTION OPTICAL IMAGING,)	
		DATA STORAGE, LITHOGRAPHY, AND)	
		INSPECTION)	

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

In the Specification:

Please add the following sentence beginning at page 1, line 3 as the first sentence following the title:

--This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Patent Application
Serial No. 60/267,112 filed February 7, 2001.--

REMARKS

Pursuant to 37 CFR Section 1.78, Applicants have amended the specification as noted herein to claim benefit of a prior filed provisional patent application. A claim to the benefit of this prior-filed provisional patent application was made in the unsigned Combined Declaration for Patent Application and Power of Attorney at the time the above-identified patent application was filed and thus within the time period set forth in 37 CFR 1.78(a)(5)(ii). This claim for priority was recognized by the Office by its inclusion in the filing receipt for